

Indiana State Excise Police News Release

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Excise Police Issue 74 Tickets During IU-Michigan State Football Game

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. – Indiana State Excise Police officers issued 74 summonses during Indiana University's game against Michigan State University Saturday. That's down from 102 issued during last weekend's game against Ball State University.

Most summonses were for illegal consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages.

Sixty-eight minors were charged with illegal possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages. Three adults were cited for aiding or inducing a minor to possess alcohol.

One excise officer's wrist was slightly injured when a 20-year-old male resisted arrest. He was arrested for battery, resisting law enforcement and illegal consumption.

A 20-year-old female was arrested for public intoxication and illegal consumption.

Both were incarcerated at the Monroe County Jail.

"Saturday's tailgating crowd was tame compared to last weekend's game against Ball State," Officer Travis Thickstun said. "There were no known incidents of bottles or other objects being thrown in the Red Lot tailgating area. An earlier start time was likely one factor in reducing the level of intoxication that had been such a problem last weekend."

Those issued summonses must appear in Monroe Circuit Court on various dates in November.

Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission. While excise officers are empowered to enforce any state law, they primarily focus on alcohol, tobacco and related violations.